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SUBJ: RE-EVALUATION OF USG PARTICIPATION IN THE FIFTH UNCTAD
INTERGOVERNMENTAL PREPARATORY GROUP (IPG) ON INTERNATIONAL
MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT

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1. DIRECTORATE OF SHIPPING OFFICIAL W.W. BAKKER TOLD US FEBRUARY
16 THAT: (1) NETHERLANDS WOULD NOT WITHDRAW FROM UNCTAD
INTERGOVERNMENTAL PREPARATORY GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL
MULTIMODAL TRANSPORT: (2) NETHERLANDS WOULD BE SILENT IF U.S.
WITHDREW; AND (3) NETHERLANDS WOULD EXPRESS UNDERSTANDING FOR
U.S. WITHDRAWAL IN CORRIDOR TALK.

2. BAKKER PERSONALLY BELIEVES A U.S. WITHDRAWAL MIGHT MAKE
LDCS REALIZE THE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR ACTIONS IN IPG AND COULD
THUS SOLVE PROBLEMS OCCURRING THERE. HE EXPLAINED THAT NETHERLANDS
COULD NOT WITHDRAW BECAUSE OF ITS TIES TO THIRD WORLD.

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3. THE LIABILITY ISSUES WHICH WILL BE DISCUSSED AT IPG MEETING
ARE OF IMPORTANCE TO NETHERLANDS AND NETHERLANDS THEREFORE
HOPES FOR SOME REALISM BY LDC PARTICIPANTS.

4. IF NEXT MEETING TURNS OUT TO BE AS MUCH OF A CIRCUS AS THE
PREVIOUS ONE, BAKKER SAID THE NETHERLANDS WOULD ITSELF CONSIDER

WITHDRAWING.
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